GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1059
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RESERVED POSTS IN RAILWAYS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representation of SCs, STs and OBCs has not reached the level of 15%, 7.5% and 27% respectively reserved for them in Railway Board/Railway Board Secretariat Service (Group B), Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers and Indian Railway Service of Mechanical Engineering posts;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the total number of 'sanctioned posts' of all categories in the said railway services;

(d) the number of persons belonging to SC, ST, OBC and General Categories working against such posts including their respective percentage to such posts as on 2nd July, 1997 as ascertained as per the instructions contained under para 5 of DoPT OM No.

(e) the fresh vacancies occurred during 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 and year-wise number of such vacancies/posts filled by persons from SCs, STs, OBCs and General categories?36012/2/96-Estt.(Res.) dated 2nd July 1997; and

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1059 BY SHRI AMARSINH VASANTRAO PATIL; SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE; SHRI BUTA SINGH AND SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 07.03.2002 REGARDING RESERVED POSTS IN RAILWAYS

(a) & (b): The representation of Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in Group 'B' of Railway Board Secretariat Services (RBSS), viz. Section Officers Grade has reached 15% and 27% respectively, prescribed for them. However, there is a shortfall in the representation of Scheduled Tribes (STs) due to non-availability of eligible candidates in the feeder grade, i.e. on the basis of Limited Departmental Competitive Examination and on the basis of seniority-cum-fitness.

The candidates selected through UPSC for Group A (Junior Scale) Civil Services (including Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers (IRSSE) and Indian Railway Services of Mechanical Engineering posts (IRSME)) Exam. Batch-2000 are in the process of joining and the batch of Civil Services Exam.-2001 are yet to materialise. As such, the representation of SCs/STs/OBCs in these services as on date can not be ascertained/derived.

c) The total number of sanctioned posts as on 1.7.2001 in Indian Railway Service of Signal Engineers and Indian Railway Services of Mechanical Engineering posts are 1091 and 1650 respectively, and, in the case of Group 'B' of Railway Board Secretariat Services, viz. Section Officers Grade it is 195.

(d) The number and percentage of officers belonging to SC/ST/OBC/General categories working against Group 'B' RBSS cadre and Junior Scale of IRSSE and IRSME where reservation is applicable as on 2.7.1997 are as under:-

Services	Total staff	SC	ST	OBC	General
Gr.B, RBSS	195	31 (15.90%)	9 (4.62%)	1 (0.51%)	154 (78.97%)
IRSSE	81	13 (16.05%)	8 (9.88%)	10 (12.35%)	50 (61.73%)
IRSME	53	10	4	8	31

(18.87%) (7.55%) (15.09%) (58.49%)

(e) The fresh vacancies occurred and filled up by SCs, STs, OBCs and General categories during the years 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001 in Gr. 'B', RBSS cadre and IRSSE& IRSME(Gr. A (Junior Scale)) are as under:-

Services	Total	SC	ST	OBC	General
Years					
Gr. B, RBSS					
Fresh Vacancies-					
1997	13	1	3	2	7
1998	10	3	-	2	5
1999	09	3	1	-	5
2000	11	-	2	1	8
2001	Actual vacancies yet to be ascertained				
Vacancies filled up					
1997	05	-	-	2	3
1998	02	-	-	2	-
1999	05	3	-	-	2
2000	05	-	1	1	3
2001	Recruitment not yet materialised				
IRSSE(Gr.A Jr. Scale)					
Fresh Vacancies-					
1997	22	4	2	5	11
1998	35	4	2	9	20
1999	28	4	2	8	14
2000	28	3	1	10	14
2001	20	3	2	5	10
Vacancies filled up					
1997	19	4	2	3	10
1998	28	4	2	6	16
1999	24	4	2	7	11
2000	under the process of joining				
2001	under the process of recruitment				
IRSME(Gr.A, Jr. Scale)					
Fresh Vacancies-					
1997	40	6	3	11	20

1998	20	-	-	5	15
1999	19	3	2	4	10
2000	19	4	2	3	10
2001	13	1	-	5	7

Vacancies filled up

1997	39	6	3	11	19
1998	18	-	-	5	13
1999	15	3	2	4	6
2000	under the process of joining				
2001	under the process of recruitment				